



TURTLE BAY NEWS

From the Turtle Bay Association, neighborhood association for Manhattan's Turtle Bay, East Midtown, home of the United Nations.

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President's Report



What a difference a year makes.

Last year at this time, the city was in lockdown. This year we are out and about, visiting family and friends and enjoying the summer.

During these past months, the Turtle Bay Association has continued to stay on top of the concerns

of our neighborhood. One of the biggest complaints we received from our members is the homeless situation. For the past year, TBA directors and members have been filing complaints with 311, Council member Keith Powers office, and the Department of Sanitation regarding the homeless and particularly the area located on 50th Street & Second Avenue. TBA had this area power washed several times, had the graffiti cleaned, had orange netting installed, which lasted less than 24 hours, and have complained about the scaffolding which has been up for 3 years. This one particular location is monitored daily by caring neighbors and complaints are filed with 311 on a daily basis. Unfortunately, we cannot control residents who feel that they are helping the homeless by leaving them food, clothing and money. These homeless men will continue to return to this location for shelter and food as long as they get their supplies from the "do gooders."

This past year, The Turtle Bay Association has formed an alliance with with Sutton Area Community (SAC) and the Murray Hill Neighborhood Association. We meet on a regular basis with Council Member Keith Powers to address our mutual issues of crime, traffic, homelessness, noise, bicyclists who disobey traffic regulations and other items of con-

cern. These three organizations represent the entire East Side area from 27th Street to 57th Street and combined make us the largest neighborhood group in Manhattan.

TBA is planning some "get together" events in the Fall and we hope to see you. Stay tuned for the details.

Have a good summer and continue to stay safe.

Dolores Marsh

Redevelopment Proposed for Women's Shelter on E. 45th Street

By Meryl Brodsky

The City's Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) and the Department of Homeless Services (DHS) have unveiled a plan to sell a DHS-owned building at 225 East 45th Street to Project Renewal, a nonprofit that provides housing, healthcare, and employment services to homeless New Yorkers. Project Renewal has been running this site as a women's shelter for about 20 years. Project Renewal seeks to buy the building from the City, demolish it, and build in its place a new 21-story multi-use facility including: a 171 bed single-adult homeless women's shelter, 78 units of supportive housing for formerly homeless tenants, and 52 affordable apartments. The ground floor will contain a medical clinic to serve both the residents of the building and the larger community. There is currently a similar clinic on-site; however, not many people are aware that it's there. The proposed demolition and construction is projected to take two years.

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Redevelopment of Women's Shelter continued

During that time current shelter residents will be relocated (ideally to permanent housing but if not, to a shelter that meets their needs). As DHS is proposing to sell a City-owned building, this sale is subject to the Uniform Land Use Review Process (ULURP), a public review process that gives CB6 a chance to offer an advisory comment on the sale. This project is not expected to "certify" (which means to officially enter ULURP) until at least September 2021. That said, HPD, DHS, and Project Renewal gave the community a preview of the project at an April 26th joint

meeting of the CB6 Housing & Homelessness and Land Use and Waterfront Committees. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZCl6eya2IS4&t=441s>

This project will help fulfill some of our district's most pressing needs, notably the need for more affordable and supportive housing. CB6 will organize a formal public hearing once this project has officially entered ULURP (Uniform Land Use Review Procedure).

Vanderbilt Y July News



We are pleased to announce that we will start the process of re-opening the Vanderbilt YMCA fitness center facilities and indoor group exercise classes beginning on **September 7**.

Masks are optional for fully vaccinated individuals in all areas of the facility with the exception of childcare and housing. We will not require vaccine verification upon entry and will be relying on the honor system. All locker rooms, showers, and water fountains will be reopened. We will continue to maintain our high standard of cleaning that you are accustomed to.

We look forward to welcoming you back!

YMCA of Greater New York

Salon Talks

DAG HAMMARSKJOLD

at the Pink Moose Cafe

Thursdays at 6 PM

JULY 29, GETTING TO KNOW YOU, TURTLE BAY

PAMELA HANLON, author of Manhattan's Turtle Bay and A Worldly Affair (the UN's evolving relationship with NYC), reveals neighborhood landmarks and local history with behind-the-scene stories, including her interviews with celebrities like composer Stephen Sondheim. Pamela has given numerous talks and tours of the area and regards Dag Plaza as a neighborhood treasure.

Arrive early to purchase your Grab & Go picnic at the Pink Moose Cafe and claim your seat.

Pescatore Closing

It is with a very heavy heart that on July 31, 2021 Pescatore Restaurant, which has enjoyed the privilege of gracing 2nd Avenue for the past 28 years, will open and close its doors for a final time.

Before we bid a final adieu to Pescatore, please come in and see us—whether it's to dine with us one final time, or say goodbye to the good friends that you have made during our time in our beloved neighborhood!

Thank you, we look forward to seeing you for our final Pesca farewell party on Saturday, July 31st, stay tuned for details.



Open for indoor dining, outdoor dining, takeout and delivery.

Happy Hour

Mon, Fri 12 pm – 7 pm

Sat, Sun 4 pm – 7 pm

Pesca Boozy Brunch

Saturday, Sunday 11 am – 4 pm

Composting at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza

Look for the **orange signs** and **green bins** near the entrance gate to the Katherine Hepburn Garden at First Avenue and end of the plaza, behind the cafe.

The site will be open every Wednesday from 8:30AM to 3PM.

ACCEPTABLE WASTE INCLUDES:

Fruits, vegetables and eggshells

Coffee, tea and nuts

Dried flowers and houseplants

Rice, pasta, bread and grains

NOT ACCEPTED is meat, fish, dairy and BPI certified compostable plastic products

Please wear a mask and practice social distancing.



WELCOME NEW TBA BUSINESS MEMBERS

Please mention when doing business with our Business Members that you are a Turtle Bay Association member. This way our business member will know our Association is supporting their business.

Brent's Comfort Kitchen

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(646) 455-0031

brentscomfortkitchen.com

Open Monday-Friday 11:30 AM - 8:30 PM

Saturdays & Sundays Reserved for Catering



Stellar Hardware and Bath

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stellarhardwareandbath.com

Monday – Friday: 8 to 5



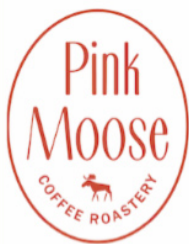
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1070 1st Ave, New York, NY

(212) 256-0788

pinkmoosenyc.com

Open 7 days 7 AM–7 PM



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Serving Beekman Place, Kips Bay, Midtown East, Murray Hill, Sutton Place, Tudor City, and Turtle Bay

National Night Out Against Crime

Tuesday, August 3, 2021, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza (47th Street btw 1st and 2nd Avenues)

Food Compliments of Ali Baba Turkish Cuisine



Live Music by B.D. Lenz All Stars



Jazz / Funk / Rock

Carnival Games for Kids • Photo Ops with Police Vehicles
Crime Prevention Info • Community Organization Giveaways

Tag your photos and videos of the event with #17thPctNNO



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